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SUBJECT: SOCIALIST SUMMIT

REF: (A) THE HAGUE 1815 (NOTAL), (B) THE HAGUE 2002

1. CALLED TOGETHER AT INVITATION OF DUTCH LABOR PARTY,
EIGHT SOCIALIST HEADS OF GOVERNMENT AND PARTY LEADERS FROM 23
COUNTRIES MET IN AMSTERDAM APRIL 16-17 TO DISCUSS EAST-WEST

RELATIONS AND PREPARATIONS FOR BELGRADE. WHILE MAIN THRUST OF MEETING WAS ON DEVELOPMENTS SINCE HELSINKI, SOCIALIST LEADERS ALSO EXCHANGED VIEWS ON SPREAD OF NUCLEAR TECHNOLOGY, AFRICA, MIDDLE EAST, EUROCOMMUNISM, DEVELOPMENTS IN IBERIAN PENINSULA AND FUTURE MEETINGS OF SOCIALIST INTERNATIONAL. EMBASSY POUCHING PAPERS TO DEPARTMENT.

2. DETENTE - SUMMING UP DISCUSSIONS, S-I PRESIDENT WILLY BRANDT SAID THERE WAS NO ALTERNATIVE TO DETENTE. ISRAELI FOREIGN MINISTER ALLON PUT IT MORE STARKLY: "CO-EXISTENCE OR NO EXISTENCE." WHILE IT IS CLEAR THAT THESE WAS CONCERN AMONG ALL LEADERS THAT BELGRADE FOLLOW-UP CONFERENCE SHOULD NOT BECOME A FORUM SOLELY FOR CRITICISM OF COMMUNIST SHORT-COMINGS, THERE WAS GENERAL AGREEMENT THAT WEST SHOULD NOT BE COWED INTO SILENCE ON HUMAN RIGHTS QUESTIONS. SWEDISH SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY FOREIGN AFFAIRS SPOKESMAN SVEN ANDERSON MADE CASE FOR CAUTION WHEN HE TOLD GATHERING THAT CRITICISM OF HUMAN RIGHTS PERFORMANCE, WHICH SWEDEN HAS NOT FAILED TO POINT OUT, SHOULD NOT BE CARRIED TOO FAR LEST SOCIALISTS PLAY INTO HANDS OF REACTIONARIES WHO HOPE TO SEE EAST-WEST COOPERATION FAIL. OTHERS, PRIMARILY CALLAGHAN, SCHMIDT, DEN UYL AND KREISKY, COMMENTED THAT ALL ASPECTS OF FINAL ACT, INCLUDING BASKET III, MUST BE EXAMINED. CALLAGHAN, BRANDT AND KREISKY WELCOMED SOVIET CHALLENGE TO CONTINUED IDEOLOGICAL STRUGGLE. IN RESPONSE TO Q QUESTION AT FINAL PRESS CONFERENCE, DUTCH PRIME MINISTER DEN UYL SAID THAT "ADEQUATE ACTION" AGAINST HUMAN RIGHTS ABUSES COULD TAKE FORM OF VERBAL PROTEST, DIPLOMATIC ACTION OR UNPUBLICIZED MEASURES. DEN UYL SAID: "WE DO NOT PASS JUDGMENT LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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ON METHODS USED BY PRESIDENTT CARTER; WE SIMPLY UNDERLINE THE PRINCIPLE OF AND CONFIRM OUR COMMITMENT TO HUMAN RIGHTS."

3. NUCLEA TECHNOLOGY - AT URGING OF DUTCH LABOR PARTY, LEADERS AGREED TO STUDY PROBLEM OF SPREAD OF NUCLEAR TECHNOLOGY. DEN UYL TOL PRESS CONFERENCE THAT LEADERS PAID SPECIAL ATTENTION TO PRESIDENT'S DECISIONS ON REPROCESSING AND QUICK BREEDER REACTORS. "TOP PRIORITY MUST BE GIVEN TO AMERICAN PRESIDENT'S PROPOSALS." HOWEVER, IT MUST BE REALIZED, HE SIAD, THAT REACTIONS TO DATE HAVE BEEN SKEPTICAL. DEN UYL WONDERED IF ACTION MAY NOT HAVE COME TOO LATE. CALLAGHAN SAID HE AGREED WITH DEN UYL ON SERIOUSNESS OF MATTER BUT THOUGHT THAT NUCLEAR ENERGY WAS ONLY PART OF LARGER PROBLEM RELATING TO OVERALL ENERGY NEEDS. IF RECENT AMERICAN ASSESSMENT ANNOUNCED BY PRESIDENT IS CORRECT THAT OIL SUPPLIES ARE FUNNING OUT FASTER THAN HAD BEEN THOUGHT, THEN THERE IS INCREASED NEED TO LOOK AT ALL ENERGY SOURCES. ALTHOUGH CALLAGHAN SAID HE THOUGHT THERE WERE ALREADY DEQUATE FORUMS FOR STUDYING NUCLEAR QUESTIONS, BRANDT AND

S-I SECRETARY GENERAL CARLSSON WERE ASKED TO COLLOBORATE
WITH DUTCH LABOR PARTY ON ISSUE PRIOR TO JUNE SOCIALIST
INTERNATIONAL BUREAU MEETING IN ROME.

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4. AFRICA - PROPOSAL BY GASTON DEFERRE (SRENCH SOCIALIST)
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GIVING TO MOBUTU WAS SET ASIDE. BRANDT SAID THAT GENERAL CONCERN WAS VOICED ABOUT SITUATION IN AFRICA AND THAT, IN ADDITION TO DEFERRE'S COMMENTS, LEADERS HAD HEARD FROM RAMGOOLAM OF MAURITIUS, BABACAR BA OF SENEGAL, SOARES OF PORTUGAL AND ALLON OF ISRAEL, ALL OF WHOM WERE APPARENTLY MORE CONCERNED WITH SHABA INVASION THAN WITH FRENCH INTERVENTION. IN VIEW OF CONFLICT BETWEEN PARTIES, NO CONSENSUS COULD BE REACHED. S-I WILL SEND A MISSION TO AFRICA LED BY FORMER SWEDISH PM PALME.

5. MIDDLE EAST - ISRAELI FOREIGN MINISTER ALLON DISCUSSED SITUATION IN MIDDLE EAST AND (IN PRIVATE) DEVELOPMENTS IN HIS OWN PARTY. ACCORDING TO ALLON, DETENTE CANNOT BE RESTRICTED TO EUROPE BUT MUST BE EXTENDED TO MEDITERRANEAN, MIDDLE EAST AND AFRICA. PRINCIPLES OF HELSINKI WILL BE UNDERMINED IF "VOLUNTEERS" ACTING ON BEHALF OF ONE SUPERPOWER ARE ALLOWED TO INTERVENE ELSEWHERE. "TODAY IT IS AFRICA, TOMORROW IT COULD BE THE INDIAN OCEAN OR THE MIDDLE EAST," HE SAID.

6. EUROCOMMUNISM - PARTICIPANTS APPARENTLY DEVOTED LITTLE TIME TO SUBJECT BUT, AT URGING OF CALLAGHAN, AGREED TO TAKE IT UP IN ROME. ITALIAN PSI ASKED TO PREPARE PAPER ON EUROCOMMUNISM FOR DISCUSSION AT TOME.

7. IBERIAN PENINSULA - MARIO SOARES TOLD GROUP THAT HE SUPPORTED DETENTE, BUT EXPERIENCE IN PORTUGAL MADE ONE CAUTIOUS. EVENTS IN ANGOLA, MOZAMBIQUE AND ZAIRE WERE NOT SUPPORTIVE OF DETENTE. SPANISH PSOE DELEGATES TALKED ABOUT UPCOMING ELECTIONS, AND BRANDT WARMLY WELCOMED "DIFFICULT BUT IMPRESSIVE" COURSE OF DEMOCRATIZATION IN SPAIN.

8. SOCIALIST INTERNATIONAL MEETINGS - BRANDT POINTED TO FACT THAT AMSTERDAM MEETING HAD ATTRACTED PARTIES FROM AFRICA, MIDDLE EAST, LATIN AMERICAN AND ASIA AS EVIDENCE OF S-I ACTIVITY AROUND THE WORLD. TO FURTHER DEMONSTRATE WORLDWIDE APPROACH OF ORGANIZATION, HE SAID NEXT PARTY LEADERS CONFERENCE WOULD BE HELD IN YOKOHAMA IN DECEMBER. NEXT S-I CONGRESS WOULD BE IN VANCOUVER.

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